

# IS CHRIST IGNORANT ACCORDING TO MARK 13:32

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We should advance carefully concerning the Christ's nature; our knowledge regarding Christ shouldn't be in suppositions, but in a biblical foundation guided by the Holy Spirit. Some people have affirmed that Jesus was not to the height of the divinity to know the day or hour of the Lord's return.

## I. Some variant readings

We have more than 5,000 Greek manuscripts of the New Testament, and when we compare them with each other we find in many cases additions, deletions, and other types of changes; So we call those *variant readings*. Therefore we can read into Matthew 24:36 NIV <sup>1</sup> "*No one knows about that day or hour, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father*" however this word is no inside some versions as KJV <sup>2</sup>, R60 <sup>3</sup> and VUL <sup>4</sup>.

In fact, the Greek version BYZ <sup>5</sup> has never been presented this word, but Greek versions as BNT <sup>6</sup> and GOC <sup>7</sup> are with the word *Son (Jesus or Christ)* even the German version by Martin Luther L45 <sup>8</sup> appears the word *Son*.

In general terms we can declare the following: there are many Greek manuscripts with some differences, but the biblical principle inspired on them will never change.

## II. Jesus/Christ is God

Under the century IV happened a great theological error, which was called the arrianism historically, this term is derived the Arrio name, Arrio was a very popular presbyter from Alexandria and false doctrine father, he affirmed: "*Christ is no neither co-eternal nor co-same to God, but rather the first creature made by God*" <sup>9</sup> But for the biblical light, Christ would be a mortal man like us, without he possesses attributes as omniscience, omnipotence and omnipresence.

However the Arrianism taught: "*Christ neither was truly human, because he didn't have a human soul, neither he was truly divine, because he lacked the God's essence and attributes, simply he (Christ) was the most sublime in all the created beings*" <sup>10</sup> these concepts are big attacks against Christ's nature. Yet when we look beyond the Christ's life, find his character, which is our model to follow.

The Greek word ὁ θεός (*God*) has been quoted by John's gospel (*Jn. 1:1*), equally in John 1:18 to describe that the same God (*Jn. 1:1*) has been made flesh, even if some versions don't present the word correctly. Let's see John 1:18

NIV	R60	NKJ <sup>11</sup>	BNT
No one has ever seen God, but <u>God the One and Only</u> , who is at the Father's side, has made him known.	A Dios nadie le vio jamás; <u>el unigénito Hijo</u> , que está en el seno del Padre, él le ha dado a conocer.	No one has seen God at any time. <u>The only begotten Son</u> , who is in the bosom of the Father, He has declared <i>Him</i> .	Θεὸν οὐδεὶς ἑώρακεν πώποτε· <u>μονογενὴς θεὸς</u> ὁ ὢν εἰς τὸν κόλπον τοῦ πατρὸς ἐκεῖνος ἐξηγήσατο.

The Holy Scriptures are clear to show that Christ is God, beyond the human's reason we must accept his word as our Faith rule, beyond a theological doctrine, when the human being begins a personal experience with Jesus/Christ the result will be that we'll see the God's glory reflected in our character, which is the Christ's character of the same God. Therefore the Bible says: *“And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifested in the flesh, Justified in the Spirit, Seen by angels, Preached among the Gentiles, Believed on in the world, Received up in glory”* (1 Tim. 3:16 NKJ)

### III. Only Christ is instance for us

The theological term *Hypostatic union* teaches that *“Christ had the two natures which were Divine and human”* <sup>12</sup> but he didn't use the Divine nature still when he was Divine, because he had to live and die like a human being (*Phi. 2:6-8*) for our salvation. Now we find a statement in Mk. 13:32 and Mat. 24:36 what seems that Christ is ignorant concerning the day and hour of the Lord's return, but Christ is living as man, gave us his instance to depend constantly of our heavenly father every-day life.

### Conclusions

- (1) Jesus/Christ is God.
- (2) Christ didn't know the day and hour as man, (*man's son*) but as God's son, he knows and knew.

### Bibliography

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<sup>2</sup> KJV *King James version* ©1611/1769 by the Online Bible Foundation and Woodside Fellowship of Ontario, Canada.

<sup>3</sup> R60 *Reina Valera* ©1960 Spanish

<sup>4</sup> VUL *Latin Vulgate* ©1969/1975/1983 by Deutsche Bibelgesellschaft (German Bible Society), Stuttgart.

<sup>5</sup> BYZ *Byzantine Text Form, Robinson-Pierpont Majority Text* ©1995 *Compiled and arranged by Maurice A. Robinson and William G. Pierpont.*

<sup>6</sup> BNT *Novum Testamentum Graece, Nestle-Aland 27h Edition.* ©1993

<sup>7</sup> GOC *Greek New Testament Text of the Greek Orthodox Church. This public domain text was digitized by the Orthodox Skite St. Spyridon and is used by permission.*

<sup>8</sup> L45 *Martin Luther – German Bible* ©1545

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<sup>10</sup> *Comentario Bíblico Adventista t, 5 – nota adicional del capítulo 1 de San Juan* pág. 892

<sup>11</sup> NKJ *The New King James Version* ©1982 by Thomas Nelson

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